



WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop joins family, friends, and the community in mourning the loss of Rose LaCynthia Clemons, who passed away on February 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Rose was born on October 29, 1960, to the late Aaron Taylor and Delois Simms Baker, and was raised in a loving and faith-filled home by her mother and stepfather, Elder C.J. Baker; and

WHEREAS, she dedicated her life to faith, family, and service, being baptized at an early age, actively participating in the church choir and serving on the Usher Board at Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Rose was a proud graduate of Bastrop High School, Class of 1979, where she excelled in sports and class organizations, and later pursued higher education at Durham School of Business; and

WHEREAS, she was a devoted mother to her children, Crystal, Victoria, and Aaron, and a beloved grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend who shared her warmth, wisdom, and love with all who knew her; and

WHEREAS, Rose dedicated her professional life to education and community service, working as a teacher at Shiloh Head Start, a Teacher's Aide at Bastrop Independent School District, and later contributing to the community through her employment at H-E-B; and

WHEREAS, she made a lasting impact on the City of Bastrop through her involvement in the Juneteenth Committee, the African American History Museum, and the Bastrop High School Class of 1979 Reunion Committee, enriching the cultural and historical fabric of the community; and

WHEREAS, Rose will be remembered for her selflessness, creativity, and kindness, leaving behind a legacy of love, service, and dedication to her faith, family, and community; and

WHEREAS, though her passing leaves a void in our hearts, her spirit of generosity, laughter, and unwavering support for her community will forever inspire those who had the privilege of knowing her.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Kirkland, Acting Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Bastrop, Texas, do hereby honor and celebrate the life and legacy of **Rose LaCynthia Clemons**, recognizing her many contributions to our community and expressing our deepest condolences to her family and loved ones. Furthermore, I do hereby proclaim October 29, 2025, what would have been her 65th birthday, as **Rose LaCynthia Clemons Day** in the City of Bastrop.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Bastrop, Texas to be affixed this 21st day of February 2025.

ATTEST:

Victoria Psencik, Assistant City Secretary



CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS

John Kinkland, Acting Mayor Pro Tem